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In re Application of:  
Harri Vatanen :  
Application No. 09/954,932 :  
Filed: September 17, 2001 :  
Title of Invention: METHOD AND  
APPARATUS FOR SECURE  
COMMUNICATION AND KEY  
DISTRIBUTION IN A  
TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEM :  
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**OFFICE OF PETITIONS**

DECISION GRANTING STATUS  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)

This is a decision on the Petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b), filed mAY 20, 2002, to allow a person to whom an inventor has assigned or agreed in writing to assign the invention, or who otherwise shows sufficient proprietary interest in the matter justifying such action, to make application for patent on behalf of and as agent for the inventor.

The petition is granted.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status.

Petitioner has demonstrated that the non-signing inventor refuses to sign the application. Specifically, Petitioner established that the nonsigning inventor, Harri Vatanen, refuses to sign the declaration after being presented with a copy of the above-identified application and declaration.

As provided in Rule 1.47(b), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for continued processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0014.

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